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Public Notice No. FERC 2880

April 30, 2020

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control has received a request for an individual State Water Quality Certification of a Federal Energy Regulatory Commission License application pursuant to section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1341).

APPLICANT: Cherokee Falls Hydroelectric Project LLC
100 Brickstone Square, Suite 300
Andover, MA 01810

ACTIVITY: On July 31, 2019, Cherokee Falls Hydroelectric Project, LLC (the applicant), a subsidiary of Enel North America, Inc. filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) its Final License Application for New License (FLA) to relicense the Cherokee Falls Hydroelectric Project or CFHP (FERC Project No. 2880). The current license for the CFHP was issued on August 3, 1981, and expires on July 31, 2021. FERC may not issue a new license authorizing the continued operation of a hydroelectric project unless the water quality certifying authority has either issued a 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) or waived WQC. On April 20, 2020 the applicant requested WQC for the CFHP from DHEC. The FLA includes a detailed description of the CFHP, current operations, and proposed operations. The FLA also includes an Environmental Report with proposed enhancement measures, associated studies, consultation records, and resource management plans, etc. The FLA can be downloaded from the link provided below.

WATERBODY: Broad River.

LOCATION: Adjacent to Cherokee Falls in Cherokee County, SC. Latitude: 35.06399, Longitude: -81.54595. See also attached map and figure.

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This public notice is being distributed to interested persons and agencies to gain comments which will aid the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control in making a final decision regarding the proposed application. All comments and data in support or opposition to the proposed application should be submitted in writing to:

SC Department of Health and Environmental Control
Division of Water Quality
Attn: Rusty Wenerick
2600 Bull St
Columbia SC 29201-1708

Comments will be received at the above address until **June 1, 2020**.

